

THE DAY OF THE TRUMP

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One evening after supper Silas Wiggs picked up his hat off the floor and walked out of the house without a word. Mrs. Wiggs did not ask where he was going. She knew. Every week day night for years and years Silas had gone down to the village to loaf and gab for two or three hours. Every night he inquired for mail at the postoffice, and every night he received a shake of the head.

On this evening, however, Silas did something he had never done before. He stopped for a moment to look at his wife and children, as if bidding them farewell.

Mr. Wiggs had come to be forty-eight years old. He had worked all his life. He hadn't broken his back at it, but he had done fairly well for a man who hated work. There were days when he was hoeing corn for some one for \$1 a day that he got so mad he jumped up and down and whooped. He wanted to take life easy, but he couldn't. He wanted to have a whole sack of flour and three pounds of butter ahead of the appetite of the family and then go fishing, but the day had never come.

Neither the village postoffice nor the grocery nor the drug store saw Silas that evening nor for many long evenings to come. It was remarked that something must have happened to him. Something had. On leaving the house he had walked in the opposite direction from the village. He had walked all night and all the next day. In fact, he kept on walking until he was 100 miles away. Then he stopped and got work in a hotel barn for a few weeks. He finally found the man he was looking for, and after several interviews with him Silas put fifty more miles between him and home. Then he sat down in a hamlet in the midst of a rich farming community and got his breath. As soon as rested he announced himself as Abijah, the prophet. He had come there to warn sinners and all others that the last trump was about to sound. He set the day for it to sound. The date had been given him in a dream.

Silas' hair hung down to his shoulders, and he had a venerable appearance and a deep voice. No one around there had ever seen a prophet, but it wasn't long before everybody was agreed that Silas at least looked like one. At first he was laughed at and ridiculed, but that only made him the more earnest. He spoke from the steps of the tavern, and he went from house to house and from farm to farm. He spoke to the women more than to the men. In two weeks he had half a dozen of them with him. Then he found male converts. This was in May. The last trump was to sound on the 4th of August.

In four weeks two-thirds of the population of a county were converts. In six weeks there were only a few outsiders. The weekly papers scoffed at Silas and his dreams and predictions, but he silenced them by asking, "How do you know that this thing won't come to pass?" They didn't know it. They couldn't declare it impossible. They couldn't sneer at the last trump business without offending their Christian subscribers. It was the same with lawyers and doctors. They jumped on Silas to jump off again.

"You believe there is a heaven, don't you?" he would ask.

"Oh, yes."

"Ever been there?"

"Of course not."

"Ever seen any one who had?"

"No."

"Then why do you believe?"

"Because the Bible says so."

"But it also says there shall be a judgment day."

"Yes, but why on the 4th of August?"

"Why on any day? Why not on that day as well as another?"

"If the last trump is to sound what of our property?"

"It will be destroyed with the earth, of course," was the reply.

"That suited some, but not the majority."

All day on the 3d of August the country held its breath. Farmer and villager put on clean shirts and did no work. It was said that children forgot to cry and that never a rooster crowed. Hundreds of people sat up all that night, going to their doors now and then to consult the heavens.

On the morning of the 4th there was a gathering on hills and knolls and a farewell shaking of hands. People spoke in whispers, and husbands and wives held hands. It was up to 10 o'clock, to noon, to mid-afternoon, to sundown. Then Silas Wiggs stood up and said to the people around him:

"It has not come and we will disperse, but to hold ourselves in readiness for a week yet. It may be that Gabriel has mistaken the date."

Did they swear for him? Did they bring out a rail and tar and feathers? Did they go to the courts and cast him into jail? Nothing of the kind for Silas Wiggs. They allowed that there was a mistake somewhere, but it might be Gabriel's fault instead of Mr. Wiggs'. He hung around for a week and then withdrew by daylight, as an honest man should. He said he would dream again and try and have the thing come off on time.

Silas hasn't worked any since. He doesn't have to. His share of the plunder permits him to go fishing all the time, and he never comes home empty handed.

Trust Cases Undecided.

Washington, March 21.—Neither the Standard Oil nor the tobacco trust cases were decided by the supreme court of the United States yesterday, although many had expected one or both. The court yesterday took a recess for two weeks until April 3. Whether the great corporation cases "will come down two weeks from yesterday is a matter entirely of speculation; the court ventures no advance intimation of its intention.

A BUSINESS WOMAN

Who Was Cured by Following a Neighbor's Advice Now Recommends the Same Treatment to Other Women.

Most women are subject to special forms of weakness and at one time or another need a safe reliable tonic for the blood.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are an ideal tonic for women as they are also useful in functional disorders and to the fact that ladies recommend them to one another is due the enormous popularity of this tonic remedy.

"Some time ago," she says, "I was suffering greatly from weakness. I was sick for three years and was up and down for over a year. My stomach was in a bad condition and didn't digest my food properly. I was very nervous and could not sleep well. When a child I had a severe case of spinal fever and had never felt cured of its effects and think this made my sickness worse."

"A neighbor told me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills as they had helped her. I took her advice and I got relief from the first few boxes of the pills. I took them steadily until I was cured. They gave me strength and I have had no more trouble with my spine. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are certainly a great medicine for women's ills and I always recommend them."

A booklet, "Plain Talks to Women," will be sent free to any woman suffering from weakness. It explains fully why Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are suited to the needs of weak women of all ages and gives many helpful suggestions in regard to the care of their health.

Women will find in Dr. Williams' Pink Pills the tonic exactly suited to their needs. Most of the ills from which they suffer are due to bloodlessness—a condition which the pills readily correct.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain no harmful or habit-forming drugs, and the sufferer who gives them a trial will avoid the danger so common in taking drugs which only deaden pain.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are for sale by all druggists, or will be sent, postpaid, on receipt of price, 40 cents per box; six boxes for \$2.50, by the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

LOST KOMBO TRIBE TRACED BY ARROWS

Killing of Sheep Led to Search for Indians Thought to Be Extinct.

San Francisco, March 21.—An anthropological expedition from the University of California under Prof. Kroeber has reported the discovery of remnants of a supposedly extinct tribe of California Indians near the headwaters of the Sacramento river. The main body of the tribe, the Kombos, were exterminated in a raid in 1870 by settlers. According to the members of the expedition, which returned from the north Sunday, there are about 20 in the tribe at present. They were identified by arrowheads and several other implements found in their camps, although they themselves were too wild to be approached.

The university will try to have them rounded up by a troop of United States cavalry, in order that their language and ancient customs may be studied in the interest of ethnology. Numerous reports from sheep men in Tehama county, that sheep had been killed by arrows, led to the search for the Indians.

JOBS CAUSING RUSH TO CAPITOL

A House Clerk's Little Publication Starts Scramble for Office.

Washington, March 21.—Tyler Page, clerk to the committee on accounts of the House, has destroyed the peace of mind of the newly established majority of that body by the compilation of a report, published in convenient vest pocket form, showing that there are \$800,000 worth of jobs to be filled at the bidding of the Democrats, beginning with the next session of Congress. The trouble is that the Democrats cannot find a way of dividing these spoils. There are already too many applications for each place and the little red book has had the effect of calling the attention of new members to the plums awaiting them which the old members have long had their eyes on.

The scramble for places bids fair to swell the pockets of Washington hotel-keepers when the new Congress convenes. Democrats all over the country not only want jobs, but many have assumed that they will come to the capital to get them. Champ Clark is the unhappy man in the House. He has applications from every member of the Missouri legislature. Even the chaplain has announced that he is willing to leave Missouri in other hands in order that he might look after the spiritual destinies of the national House of Representatives.

A Skin of Beauty is a Joy Forever.

Dr. T. Felix Goussard's Oriental Cream or Magical Beautifier.

Removes Tan, Freckles, Pimples, Eruptions, Itch, and every blemish on the face. It is a beauty and a joy to the skin. It is a beauty and a joy to the skin. It is a beauty and a joy to the skin.

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TAFT EXPLAINS MOBILIZATION

President Says Mexico Need Have No Fear

MOVEMENT OF TROOPS

Sent to Participate in Manoeuvres and Also to Enforce the Neutrality Laws Will Be Withdrawn in Four or Five Weeks.

Washington, March 21.—In a talk with the Mexican ambassador, Senor De La Barra, at the White House yesterday President Taft confirmed assurances which he gave the ambassador before leaving for Augusta, Ga., that Mexico need feel no alarm over the movement of troops to Texas. Amba-



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FRANCISCO DE LA BARRA.

sador De La Barra went away well satisfied with the conference and sent a long telegram last night to Senor Coel, minister of foreign relations at Mexico City, explaining the expressions of the American government as made to him by President Taft.

The ambassador was among the first to ask for a conference with the president on his return to the White House yesterday, and he was cordially received. He explained to President Taft the comment with which the mobilization of troops had been received in Mexico during the absence of the president from Washington. The president reiterated to the ambassador that the latter could allay any misconception in his country over the movement of the troops with the assurance that the soldiers were sent to Texas for manouevres and for the enforcement of the neutrality laws.

Neither the Mexican ambassador nor the White House would make any official announcement about the conference, beyond the fact that the assurances with regard to the concentration of the troops had been repeated by the president, but the opinion prevails here that the president also explained fully to the ambassador the nature of the intended manouevres. Furthermore it is believed that the Mexican ambassador was informed that as soon as the manouevres have been completed the troops will be recalled in sections and within the next four or five weeks.

Both General Wood, chief of staff of the army, and acting secretary Wilson, of the state department, called on the president yesterday, the former to discuss the details of the progress of the entire troop movement to date.

A cabinet meeting will be held today, the first for two weeks.

HE WILL NOT INTERVENE.

Attorney General Swift So Decides Regarding Eddy Suit.

Boston, March 21.—The question of the right of Massachusetts to the inheritance tax on the estate of the late Mary Baker Eddy, the founder of Christian Science, is still under consideration by Attorney General James M. Swift, but he notified counsel for the estate yesterday that he would not intervene in a case now pending in the supreme court over the transfer of two pieces of property from the trustees of Mrs. Eddy's property to the directors of the church.

Three years before Mrs. Eddy's death at Newton last December she placed in trust, two of whom were directors of the church.

The trust ended with her death, so a friendly suit was brought by the directors against the trustee to obtain possession of two pieces of real estate in this state.

While the suit was being argued before the supreme court last Thursday, the attorney general asked for a suspension until he might decide the question of Mrs. Eddy's domicile at the time of her death.

Friends of Mrs. Eddy have always claimed that she never relinquished her residence at Concord, N. H., and that any inheritance tax belonged to New Hampshire.

NO RAG-TIME FOR MILWAUKEE.

Mayor's Appeal for More at Sunday Concerts Overthrown by Vote of People.

Milwaukee, Wis., March 21.—Mayor Seidel has been overruled by popular opinion in regard to the character of the Sunday afternoon concerts at the auditorium. The mayor instructed the manager of the concerts to have the program consist of more rag-time and less classical music. The manager thereupon announced a "request" program for Sunday. Of one hundred requests received, only eleven were for rag-time.

SUNNY MONDAY

A white laundry soap free from rosin, which saves your clothes and doubles their life. Rosin hardens and breaks the threads of fabrics, particularly woollens, and in time injures them. Sunny Monday washes woollens and flannels without the least danger of shrinking, and colored goods without fading.

Sunny Monday also contains a marvelous dirt-starter which saves half the rubbing.

THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY CHICAGO

PLEADS FOR LIFE TO FINISH WILL

Artist Provides for Family in Few Moments, Aided by Doctor's Stimulant.

New York, March 21.—"Please, doctor, you can do only one thing for me, for I know nothing can save my life—I can keep me alive until I can write my will and sign it, and then let the grim visitor come."

This tragic plea greeted Dr. Grossman of Lebanon hospital, Sunday, when he entered the carefully furnished home of Emil F. Englehard, an artist, at No. 2970 Third avenue, in response to a hurry call sent in by Mrs. Englehard. She was busy getting the Sunday dinner for the family when the husband and father gave a cry of pain and sank to the floor.

"My heart," he gasped. "Call a doctor quickly, but first give me a shot of nuxer and pen and ink."

"I have long neglected this," he said, "and if I die with it unfinished my family will get far from all I want them to have."

"There, now, doctor," he said, as he appended his signature and kissed his wife. "I guess you have made good and we need not worry."

Two minutes later the sufferer gave a sharp gasp and was dead. He had left all his property, personal and real, to his wife. The personal property includes many pictures, some of which are said to be real old masters. Englehard was 56 years old, and a member of several secret and benevolent societies.

SEEKING SACRED STREAM.

Southern California Promised Land of Ohio Sect Just Gone Out.

Findlay, O., March 21.—Seeking a sacred stream in southern California, in which a "spirit" commanded them to "bathe in order that they may become chosen people of the Lord and reach the new Jerusalem, a band of 26 "Revivified Spiritualists" left this city in a special car over the Lake Erie & Western railroad Sunday. The party is made up of 10 families. There are six Chinese among them. John W. Hurley is the leader.

The train was financed by several members, who sold valuable property at a sacrifice. Several gave up good positions to follow the spirit.

According to the members the "spirit" appears to them in the form of a mist and speaks as that all may hear.

They say the sacred stream is near Los Angeles.

NEW YORK HONORS McDONALD.

All Subway Trains Stop as Funeral Service for the Contractor Begins.

New York, March 21.—For two minutes yesterday, everything was still throughout the entire subway system, and trains came to a halt wherever they happened to be. Such was the unusual tribute paid to John B. McDonald, builder of the subway, who died last week and whose funeral was at the moment being held in St. Patrick's church. Many men of mark in various walks of life attended the service in the cathedral, where a requiem mass was sung. The body was taken to Hopewell, N. Y., the McDonald home, for burial.

MANY IN PERIL.

Twenty Men Vary Narrowly Escaped Death by Suffocation.

Springfield, Mo., March 21.—Twenty men asleep in the Young Men's Christian association building here were nearly suffocated before being rescued by firemen yesterday, when fire destroyed the \$50,000 structure.

The men were not awakened until escape by stairway had been cut off. They were carried down ladders.

HOUSEHOLD ECONOMY

How to Have the Best Cough Syrup and Save \$2. by Making It at Home.

Cough medicines, as a rule, contain a large quantity of granulated sugar, and if you take one pint of plain syrup, if you take one pint of granulated sugar, add a pint of warm water and you have a good cough syrup as good as any you could buy.

If you will then put 2 1/2 ounces of pure (98 cents) extract of wild cherry, and all it up with the sugar syrup, you will have as much cough syrup as you could buy, ready made for \$1.50. It keeps perfectly.

And you will find it the best cough syrup ever used. It is whooping cough. You can feel it take hold—usually stops the most severe cough in 24 hours. It is just as effective, has a good tonic effect and taste is pleasant. Take a teaspoonful every one, two or three hours.

It is a splendid remedy, too, for hoarseness, asthma, chest pains, etc. It is the most valuable concentrated compound of Norway white pine extract, rich in gualalol and all the healing elements. No other preparation will work in this formula.

This recipe for making cough remedy with Pinex and Sugar Syrup is now used and prized in thousands of homes in the United States and Canada. The plan has often been imitated but never successfully.

A guarantee of absolute satisfaction, or money promptly refunded goes with this recipe. Your druggist has Pinex, or will get it for you. If not, send to The Pinex Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind.

CHARRED BODY AMONG RUINS

Murder Mystery Near Glens Falls

FARM HAND IS SOUGHT

William Hopkins' Burned Almost Beyond Recognition in His Own Farmhouse—Hired Man Gone.

Glens Falls, N. Y., March 21.—Discovery of the charred body of William Hopkins in the ruins of his farmhouse near Baker Mills early yesterday, has developed what the Warren county authorities believe to be a murder mystery. Hopkins and one of his hired men are said to have passed the night in the farm house and according to travelers, who passed the house about daybreak, the men inside were engaged in a heated argument. A short time later fire broke out and the house was burned to the ground.

The discovery of the body was made by James Piper, who lives two miles away from the Hopkins farm and who upon arising this morning, found a team of horses belonging to Hopkins standing in his yard. He immediately set out for the Hopkins' farm and found the house in ruins.

A search later disclosed Hopkins' body burned almost beyond recognition. Footprints led to the barn, and the police believe the murderer, after setting fire to the house, stole Hopkins' team and drove to the Piper farm, making his escape in the direction of Northville. Footprints were found in the vicinity leading to the woods near the Piper farm.

Sherriff Smith and a number of deputies were scouring the country last night trying to find Charles Anders, an employee of the Hopkins' farm, who has been missing since the tragedy.

TO BLOW UP TEXAS.

Naval Experiments to Be Tried on Old Battleship.

Washington, D. C., March 21.—Secretary Meyer, with a few official guests, left Washington on the Dolphin Sunday night, for Tangier sound, in Chesapeake bay, to witness an attack upon the battleship San Marcos (formerly the U. S. S. Texas), by the big 12-inch rifles of the battleship New Hampshire.

With the secretary was Senator Clapp of Minnesota and Representatives Roberts of Massachusetts, Lord of Michigan and Gregg of Texas, Admiral Vainwright, chief of operations, and Commander Andrews, the secretary's naval aide. This attack upon the San Marcos is expected to prove one of the most instructive and valuable experiments ever conducted by our navy.

Similar firing tests have been made abroad, the last of importance being the attack by a part of the British channel fleet upon famous old ironclad Hero. Little is known of the technical value concerning those European experiments, because of the precautions which were adopted to insure secrecy. Therefore, Secretary Meyer acceded to the recommendation of the naval general board that the San Marcos be used as a target, the ship having been obsolete in type, yet carrying enough armor to afford a basis for judgment as to what might be expected to follow an attack upon a modern battleship.

The tests are expected to take three days, beginning late Monday afternoon, and all of the vessels of Admiral Schenck's great Atlantic fleet will be gathered in Tangier sound to observe them. They will begin with an attack at a range of 8,000 yards by the New Hampshire upon the San Marcos, the primary purpose being to learn the accuracy of the present naval system of "spotting."

This means the method of determining the precise spot where every projectile strikes the target or the water. Hereafter this has been largely a matter of theory, owing to the fact that such observations as could be made were necessarily taken from the vessel firing the projectiles, or one near by. In the case of the San Marcos, the target ship will be boarded at frequent intervals during the firing and the precise effect will be ascertained beyond question.

Another interesting feature of the experiment will be the use of armor-piercing shells with delayed action fuses, which will be so timed as to explode the shells after they have penetrated the armor and are within the hull of the turret.

PENSION FOR INNOCENT MAN.

Move to Furnish Fund for Andrew Toth, Who Spent Twenty Years in Prison.

Pittsburg, March 21.—Andrew Toth, just released from the western penitentiary after twenty years' imprisonment for the murder of Michael Quinn, at Bradstock, of which crime he has been proved innocent, will receive from the Carnegie Steel company, at Bradstock, a pay envelope this week containing \$28, which he earned before his imprisonment. The steel company will not only sent a personal representative to Toth, who is now with his four sons in Bradstock, but will add four per cent. interest compounded semi-annually for twenty years, to the amount.

Toth was employed in the Carnegie steel plant before the crime was committed. He had two weeks' pay coming to him when he was locked up as implicated in the murder, and never was given the opportunity to receive his pay until he was set free on Saturday morning. Andrew Carnegie, it is said, will be appealed to in an effort to have a pension and a sum of money secured from the steel company as a recompense for his false imprisonment. State and county authorities, it is also understood, will aid in the effort to have the man justified for the crime of which he has been proved innocent. Toth is now arranging to go to his wife, in Hungary. He has not seen her for twenty-six years.

The Modern Idea.

"I can't say I love him."

"Then why marry him?"

"Oh, I might as well. Every girl has to have a foolish marriage or two before she really settles down."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

You'll have no trouble buying Lenox Soap.

Nearly every grocer sells it. You'll have very little trouble keeping things clean after you've bought Lenox Soap. In price, size, shape, quality, it suits the majority of women better than any other soap.



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